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SUBJECT: OPEC FINANCE MINISTERS' DECISIONS IN VIENNA CONCERNING
INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

1. AMBASSADOR AL-DUSEARY (SAUDI ARABIAL, CHAIRMAN OF THE IFAD PREPARATORY COMMISSION, INFORMS US THAT THE OPEC FINANCE MINISTERS' METTING IN VIENNA DECIDED YESTERDAY, MARCH 1, TO GIVE HIM UNANIMOUS ENDORSEMENT AS CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF IFAD. HE IS NOW SEEKING SUPPORT OF UNITED STATES AND OTHER DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. (COMMENT: DECISION OF CATEGORY I COUNTRIES COULD BE TAKEN IN THEIR MARCH 17 CONSULTATION IN ROME.)

2. OPEC MEETING ALSO REPORTEDLY CALLED UPON MEMBER COUNTRIES TO RATIFY IFAD AGREEMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. (AMBASSADOR AL-SUDEARY EXPRESSED HOPE THAT OPEC RATIFICATION AND RATIFICATION BY UNITED STATES AND A FEW MORE COUNTRIES MIGHT MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO CONVENE MEETING OF GOVERNING COUNCIL AS EARLY AS LATE JUNE, TO MEET URGENT DESIRES OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

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3. OPEC MEETING ALSO REPORTEDLY DECIDED THAT SOME TIME IN FUTURE OPEC WOULD FAVOR MOVING SITE OF ITFAD TO A DEVELOPING COUNTRY.

4. AMBASSADOR AL-SUDEARY DEPARTS ROME MARCH 4 TO VISIT AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK IN ABIDJAN, RETURNS TO ROME MARCH 8 TO OVER-

NIGHT AND MAKE BETTER CONNECTIONS FOR VISIT TO ASIAN DEVELOPMENT
BANK IN MANILA, VISITING VARIOUS OPEC COUNTRIES GOING AND COMING,
AND RETURNING TO ROME ABOUT MARCH 21. HE SAID HE IS HAPPY OPEC
ENDORSEMENT OF HIM AS IFAD PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE CAME BEFORE HIS
DEPARTURE, LEST HE APPEAR TO BE USING HIS PRESENT POST TO LOBBY
FOR OPEC SUPPORT DURING THIS TRIP. BEAUDRY

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